

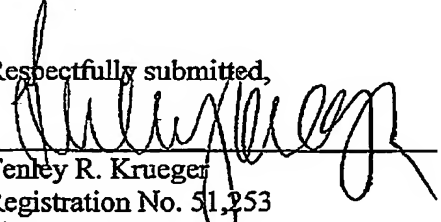
### REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated August 30, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 30, 2006. Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the above noted amendments and the following remarks in response to the Office Action.

### CLAIM REJECTIONS:

Claims 1, 3 and 10-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,770,752 (*Kaufmann*). Claims 1, 3 and 10-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,668,230 (*Schertl*). As discussed, the references the references cited in the Office Action, neither alone nor in combination, teach, show, or suggest the features of amended claim 1. Further, Applicants respectfully submit that amended claim 1 does not include new matter requiring a new search. Support for such amendment is found in at least original claim 2. Having addressed all issues set out in the Office Action, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request the same.

Respectfully submitted,



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